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SUMMARY MINUTES OF A SPECIAL MEETING OF THE **HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMITTEE** OF THE TOWN OF LOS GATOS FOR JANUARY 6, 2010, HELD IN THE TOWN COUNCIL CHAMBERS, 110 E MAIN STREET, LOS GATOS, CALIFORNIA.

The meeting was called to order at 4:05 P.M. by Chair Bob Cowan.

ATTENDANCE

Members Present: John Almash, Bob Cowan, Charles Erekson, Len Pacheco

Members Absent: Phil Micciche

Staff Present: Suzanne Davis, Associate Planner; Jennifer Savage, Planner

VERBAL COMMUNICATIONS:

None

ITEM 1: 26 N. SANTA CRUZ AVENUE

Dave Flick, property owner, and Steve Sebastian from Restoration Hardware were present for this item.

Dave Flick explained that the proposed exterior modifications to the building include a change to the moulding detail and addition of a stone base on the pilasters for a simple, uncluttered look.

Len Pacheco noted that the changes will bring the building closer to what it was before the changes that were made for Smith & Hawken. This is the way he would like to see buildings in Downtown. He prefers the backlit letters proposed for the signage and commented that the plans are going in a nice direction. Charles Erekson agreed.

John Almash agreed that going back to the original design is appropriate. He asked for clarification on the foam detail.

Bob Cowan also supported the changes, stating that it is a great building.

Len Pacheco made a motion to recommend approval of the exterior modifications to the Development Review Committee. Charles Erekson seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

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OTHER BUSINESS

A. 16621 SHANNON ROAD

Property owners Heintz & Margaret Schu were present for this item.

Len Pacheco commented that the information submitted by the owners is very valuable for the Town in preserving its history. He has been through the material and supports the historic designation.

Bob Cowan commented that the buildings and grounds warrant historic preservation. He would like to endorse the historic designation (LHP overlay zone) and supports the Town initiating the rezoning.

Mr. Schu commented that the house is all original other than the foundation and seismic shoring behind the siding. The house survived the 1989 earthquake. The structure is all redwood except for the timbers for the foundation.

Len Pacheco made a motion to endorse the application to designate the property as historic and consideration to have an LHP overlay zone through a process to be initiated by the Town. The motion was seconded by *Charles Erekson* and passed unanimously.

B. 17 FIESTA WAY

The Committee discussed the possibility of moving the 17 Fiesta House to the property that includes the Tait Museum (corner of West Main Street & Tait Avenue). The house could either be used as an affordable unit (BMP) or an ancillary building for the museum.

ITEM 3 APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Charles Erekson made a motion to approve the minutes of November 2009 as submitted. The motion was seconded by Len Pacheco and passed unanimously.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:35 pm. The next regular meeting is scheduled for January 20, 2010.

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Approved by:

Suzanne Davis, AICP

Associate Planner

Bob Cowan

Chair